

State Senator Jim Lewis

2006 Legislative Survey Results



Dear Friend:

Thank you for taking the time to complete my 2006 Legislative Questionnaire. I feel this survey is an integral part of the political process and serves as an instrument by which constituents can express their opinions.

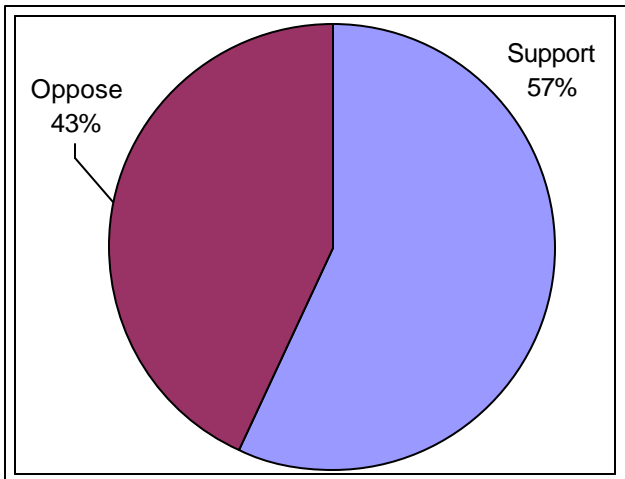
One of the most important parts of the survey is the comments section because it allows me to more accurately gauge my constituents' views and directs my vote on the issues which are most important to our district. Unfortunately, time does not allow me to address all of the comments; however, I do read and appreciate your views on the various issues.

The 2006 Legislative Survey Results are an aggregate of all of the surveys which were returned. As you may be aware, education, privatization & property tax relief dominates this session's agenda and are the focus of many of your comments. You can be assured that I gave these issues the time and consideration they deserved.

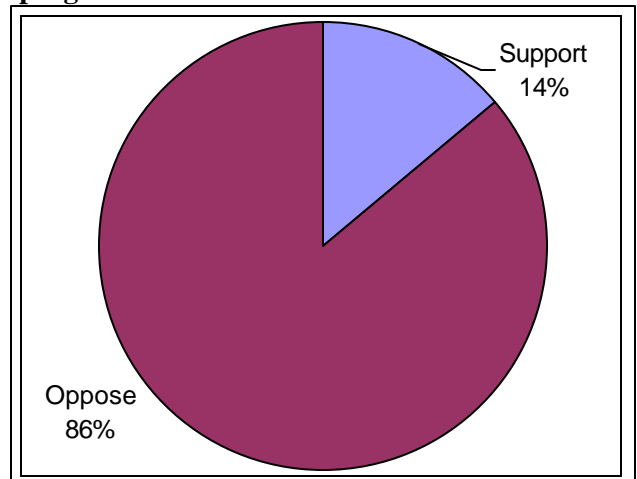
Thank you once again for completing and returning the questionnaire. I value your opinions as I continue to serve you in the Indiana General Assembly.

Sincerely,

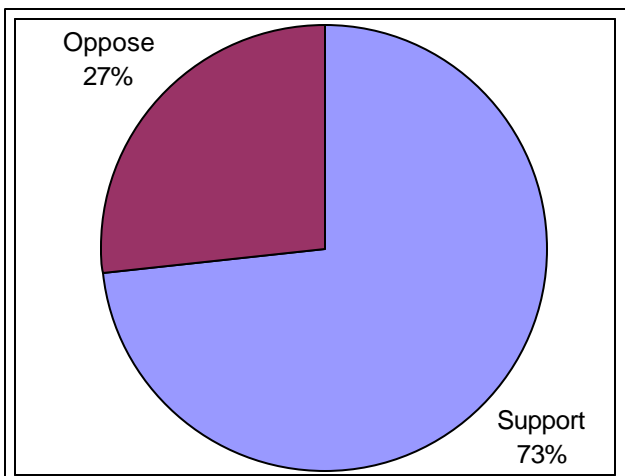
Question 1: Do you support the implementation of new local sales and/or income taxes if this would help to reduce property taxes?



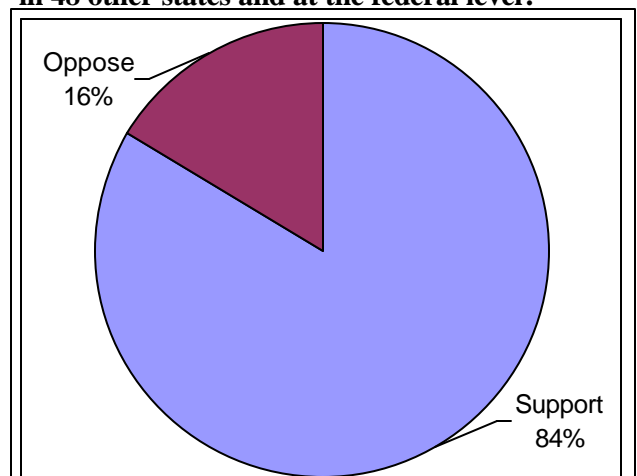
Question 2: Do you support the awarding of contracts to allow out-of-state companies to operate certain state government services and programs?



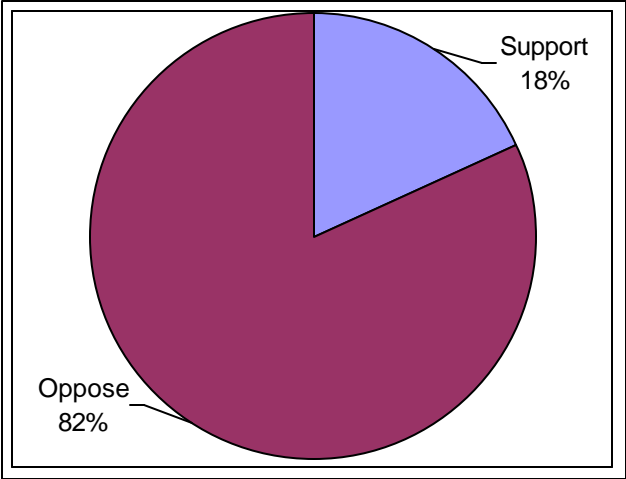
Question 3: Do you support legislation which would require legislative review of efforts to privatize state governmental services?



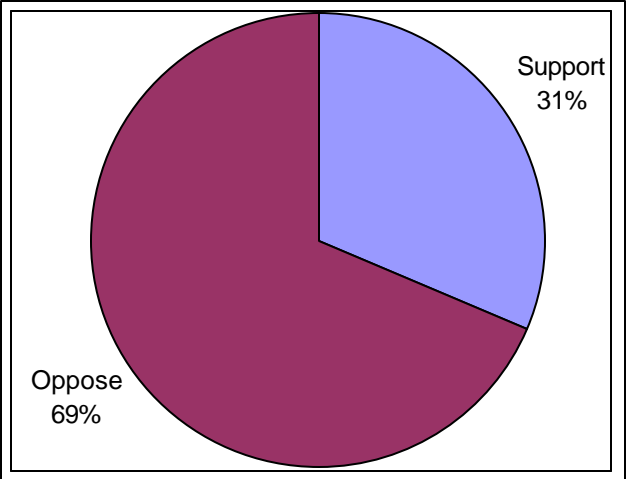
Question 4: Do you support legislation which would require Indiana Senate confirmation of state department heads similar to what is done in 48 other states and at the federal level?



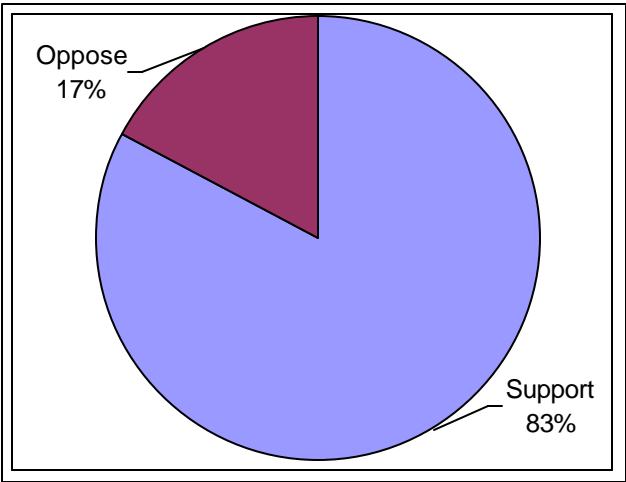
Question 5: Do you support the sale or lease of the Indiana Toll Road to a private entity to operate and control?



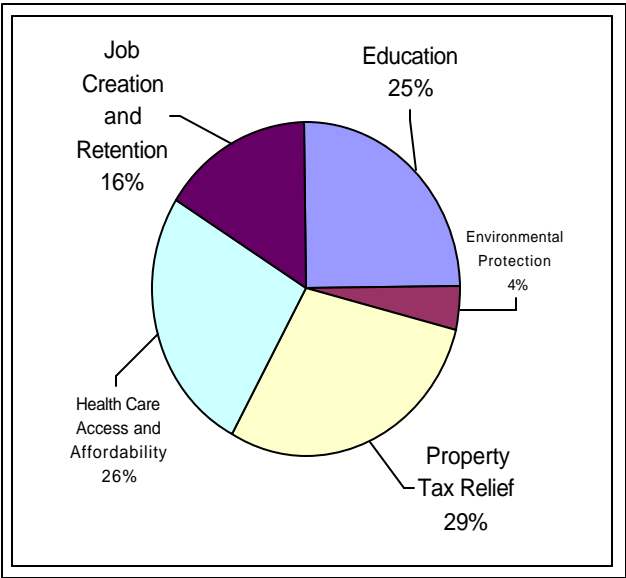
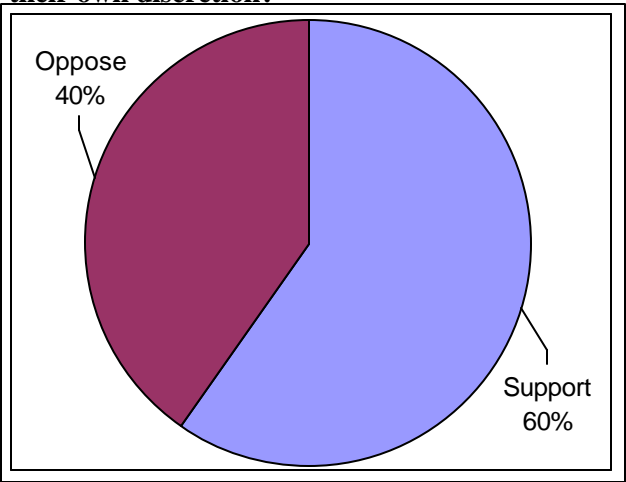
Question 6: Do you support legislation to legalize electronic gaming machines, i.e. cherry masters and pull tabs?



Question 7: Do you support an increase in the current \$5.15 per hour minimum wage?



Question 8: Do you support the state giving local units of government the option to consolidate various government functions at their own discretion?



Question 9: What do you believe are the most pressing issues facing the State of Indiana?

- Education**
- Environmental protection**
- Property tax relief**
- Health care access and affordability**
- Job creation and retention**

